



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Thomas James McArthur

Group Art Unit: 1655

Serial No.: 10/521,380

Examiner: Patricia A.Leith

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For:

Fruit and/or Vegetable Derived Composition

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTBER 16, 2009

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action ("the Action") mailed October 16, 2009, for which the date for response was January 16, 2010. A request for a three-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This three-month extension will bring the due date to April 16, 2010, which is within the six-month statutory period. Should such request or any fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.